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Mary L. Cottrell, Secretary
Department of Telecommunications & Energy
Commonwealth of Massachusetts
One South Station, Second Floor
Boston, MA 02110

Re: D.T.E. 01-39-Assented-To Joint Request for Extension of Procedural Schedule

Dear Ms. Cottrell:

By this letter Verizon Massachusetts ("Verizon MA"), on behalf of itself, AT&T Communications of New England, Inc. and Covad Communications Company, respectfully requests that the Department extend the current procedural schedule in the above-referenced proceeding for all parties to October 19, 2001. All of the parties to this proceeding agree that this extension will permit them to continue to pursue possible settlement and is appropriate in light of the progress that has been made in settlement discussions to date. Accordingly, Verizon MA respectfully requests that the Department enter an order to this effect.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Very truly yours,

Keefe B. Clemons

Enclosure

cc: Jesse Reyes, Esquire, Hearing Officer
Tina Chin, Esquire, Hearing Officer
Michael Isenberg, Esquire, Director-Telecommunications Division
Attached Service List